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May 12, 1977

Mr. Vilas Gamble, City Manager
P.O. Box 180
Clyde, Ohio

Re: Formulated Products
Odors

Dear Sir:

Per our phone conversation of May 5th concerning the above captioned, I offer the following:

- 1.) A representative of this office paid a visit to the plant on May 3rd. Only office workers were available. Site inspection showed a fly problem around loading platform from dry rendering material being unloaded from boxcars to the plant's processing machinery.
- 2.) On May 11th this writer visited the company and spoke with owner, Mr. John Foisy about the problem. We were told winter weather caused problems with some machinery operations that allowed accumulation of raw material to spill out onto the ground and accumulate there attracting the flies and smothering the odor until a contractor removed the material last week; that's when Mr. Foisy admitted the odor really was bad. We pressed him for control measures he could institute. He said using dry lime helps reduce odors outside the plant at the unloading area. We stated such measures were acceptable to us until time proves otherwise.

After our visit, we drove one block away (downwind you might say) from the plant. We could detect no odors and the wind was very low in velocity.

I would expect some odor problems to always exist in this type of industrial operation and when the new Leeway Subdivision is completed more complaints will probably be forthcoming. We will just have to do what we can. Presently, there are no violations of any state codes as far as I can see. The packaging material is salvage, we're told, so I guess it can remain unless local fire officials deem otherwise.

Yours very truly,

H. Lee McNeely
Deputy Health Commissioner

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